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SUBJECT: PROJECT TO BUILD WORKER HOUSING THAT FLOATS

REF: JIDDA 1670 (NOTAL)

TO: JERRY HOFFMAN
GENERAL MANAGER
COASTAD AND OFFSHORE PLANT SYSTEMS
WASHINGTON, D.C.
TELEX: 982428

1. AMERICAN EMBASSY NIDDA HAY PASSED CONSULATE GENERAL DHAHRAN TEXT OF COASTAL AND OFFSHORE SYSTEMS (COSASTAL) MESSAGE REGARDING "FLOATING CITIES" TO HOUSE 3,000 WORKERS.

COMPANY EXEOUTING SUCH A PROJECT IS ARAMCO AND MANAGER IN OIL COMPANY'S CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICE, WALTER DELL'ORO, EXPLAINED THAT HIS OFFICE HAS SIGNED CONTRACT WITH SINGAPORE COMPANY TO BUILD FOUR BARGE UNITS WHICH ARE SCHEDULED TO BE DELIVERED IN JULY. BARGES ARE BEING CONSTRUCTED IN UNCLASSIFIED

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2. ELL'ORO ADVISED CONSULATE GENERAL THAT ARAMCO IS NOT NOW IN THE MARKET TO PURCHASE ADDITIONAL WORKER BARGES BUT MIGHT BE LATER IN THE YEAR. SUGGEST THAT COASTAL SEND CONSULATE GENERAL SEVERAL COPIES OF ITS MATERIALS AND IT WILL PASS COPY TO DELL'ORO.

MAERIAL SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO ECONOMIO/COMMERCIAL SECTION, AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, APO NEW YORK 09616.

CONSULATE GENERAL WILL RETAIN EXTRA COPIES IN ITS FI
ES TO GIVE TO OTHER COMPANIES AS IT ASSUMES THAT THERE ARE OTHERS WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN COASTAL'S BARGE SYSTEMS.

3. CONTENTS OF INQUIRY DISCUSSED WITH EASTERN REGION REPRESENTATIVE OF PETROMIN, AS PER COASTAL'S REQUEST, AND CONSULATGENERAL WAS ADVISED THAT PETROLEUM MARKETING COMPANY HAS NO INTEREST IN FLOATING BARGE ALTHOUGH RIYADH HEADQUARTERS MAY BE CONSIDERING SUCH A STEP AND NOT ADVISED ITS OFFICE HERE. PETROMIN OFFICIAL RECALLED, HOWEVER,. 5#-5: ALTEX AND CHEVRON, TWO US COMPANIES THAT ARE PLANNING TO BUILD REFINERY NEAR HERE, ARE EXAMINING POSSIBLE USE OF BARGES TO HOUSE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS WHEN BUILDING OF REFINERY. SUGGEST COASTAL CALL HEADQUARTERS OF THOSE USE COMPANIES TO PURSUE MATTER.

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL DHAHRAN, SAUDI ARABIA.
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